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IN RE APPLICATION OF

JIAN-KANG ZHU, ET AL.

SERIAL NO: NEW APPLICATION

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FOR: PROTEINS AND DNA RELATED TO SALT TOLERANCE IN PLANTS

STATEMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Contents of the paper copy of the Sequence Listing is being filed herewith. In lieu of submission of a computer-readable Sequence Listing in (CRF) in the present application, Applicant's submit that the Office use the CRF submitted in the prior U.S. Application Serial Number 09/824,734, filed April 4, 2001.

Applicants confirm that the Sequence information submitted in the Sequence Listing submitted herewith, is the same information submitted in prior U.S. Application Serial Number 09/824,734, filed April 4, 2001. No new matter has been added to this application by the submission of the Sequence Listing.

Applicants submit that the present application is ready for examination on the merits and early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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